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May 4, 1992

United States Environmental Protection Agency
Region 5
77 West Jackson
Chicago, IL 60604

Re: American Chemical Services
Griffith, Indiana

Dear Gentlemen:

Please be informed that our company never did business, directly or indirectly with American Chemical Services prior to 1977. In fact, our company did not exist until it was incorporated on March 8, 1977. We therefore should have no liability in the above matter and should be removed from your list of Potentially Responsible Parties.

At the time our business was begun we purchased the machinery and equipment from a company called American Buffing and Processing. The owner, primary shareholder and president of that company is Mr. Chester Kennedy and he currently resides at 230 Little Penninsula Road, Elgin, Illinois 60120. Mr. Kennedy owned American Buffing & Processing during the period in question.

Our only connection to American Buffing was the equipment we purchased from them in 1977. We brought in our own management team and came with our own customer base. An entirely new company was formed by us with all new shareholders, directors and officers.

To conclude, American Clybourn Finishing Company is not one of the responsible parties in this matter. It has never generated, transported or disposed of any substance at the American Chemical Service site during the period from 1955 to 1975.

Sincerely,

Timothy F. Collins
President

cc Mr. Andrew H. Perellis
Coffield Ungaretti & Harris

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